Reconnoitering Survey.

197. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether a Special Officer was appointed for conducting a reconnoitering survey in the O. W. C. of the Forest Department;

(b) on what date was the report of the Special Officer submitted;

(c) will the Government be pleased to place the report on the Council Table;

(d) what are the recommendations made by the Special Officer with regard to the separation of the work-shop and bringing the Tramway under the immediate control of the Forest Department;

(e) what action has the Government taken on the recommendations?

Mr. K. Ramunni Menon.—(a) Yes.

(b) 15th Mithunam 1104 (29th June 1929)

(c) The report is placed on the Council Table.

(d) No such recommendations were made.

(e) No reply is necessary in view of answer to (d) above.

Materials—manufacture—Tramway work-shop.

198. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) are materials to be used in manufacture in the Tramway Workshop generally purchased in excess over yearly requirements;

(b) what is the total book-value of materials (referred to in (a) purchased previous to 1104 M. E. and now held in stock in the Tramway stores;

(c) among the materials referred to in (a), are there any which are readily available in the market?

Mr. K. Ramunni Menon.—(a) Yes, in the case of certain materials which are commonly required for all kinds of works.

(b) Previous to 1104:—About Rs. 5,000.

Now held in stock:—About Rs. 4,000.

The latter sum includes the outstanding balances in the succeeding years from 1104 up to the end of Thulam 1107 which lie merged in the above amount.

(c) Yes, usually but not always.

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